

## HOW WELL WE PERFORMED ON KEY PROGRAMS

### PERFORMANCE INFORMATION FOR KEY HHS PROGRAMS

In this section we discuss the performance information for key programs and initiatives of HHS including some program performance goals and measures.

Financial management performance information and measures are discussed in the section titled Overview of Financial Management. Other useful performance information is contained in the Reports and Other Information section of this report. The performance information that follows is consistent with the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) requirements and it supports and is aligned with the HHS strategic goals and selected strategic objectives under each goal. This information is also consistent with those GPRA programs discussed in the OPDIV-level financial statements as we begin to associate a program's performance with its costs. Performance information from other reliable sources was used as well. The source of the information is either cited or included in the listing of references in Appendix C.

Data on the results of our performance in various programs may be available on a limited basis and lag in time for several reasons. The data may be gathered infrequently due to cyclical reporting or may not be required because of legislative intent; the reliance on third parties to provide the data, including grantee reports; the cost of gathering the information; and the nature of the data, such as research results. The availability of performance data is also discussed under the Challenges section of this report and the validation/verification of the data is discussed more fully in the individual OPDIV performance plans and reports. Therefore, some of the performance information in this FY 1999 report is for prior years because that is the most current information that is available or because that information became known during FY 1999. Trends of our performance can eventually be determined by a comparison of annual trends in Accountability Reports from year to year.

**For more comprehensive GPRA results, see the HHS FY 1999 GPRA Performance Report Summary and individual OPDIV GPRA Reports that will appear under <http://www.hhs.gov/progorg/asmb/budget/plans.html>**

**A key purpose of GPRA is to improve the confidence of the American people in the capability of the federal government by systematically holding Federal agencies accountable for achieving program results.**



= In areas where we have met or exceeded the FY 1999 target we have noted that with a bullseye.